



TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 6, 1902

"ONE THOUSAND Filipino prisoners shot in platoon over the graves themselves had been forced to dig a priest, who acted in the dual capacity of father confessor and general, hanged before the slaughter of the prisoners and within their sight." Such are some of the charges made by J. Penney Walker, a private in Company I, Sixteenth Infantry, now at Sorogon, in the Philippines, in a letter to his father, Rev. W. H. Walker, D. D., of Lynn, Mass. Comment on such pictures is unnecessary. It may be observed, however, that man is as cruel now as ever, and the student of history who reads with horror of the cruelties of those who carried the Roman eagle when hundreds of captives were crucified, and allowed to die upon crosses and become food for vultures, can also have chapters of crimes to contemplate in the age in which his lot is cast. The advocates of arbitration, philanthropy and those who dream the millennium is at hand can discern rifts in the clouds not visible to others.

It is believed that much unnecessary apprehension exists in connection with the enforcement of the new law compelling the separation of the white and colored races in the cars of the electric railway. Some, pressed by imaginary difficulties, see endless friction, while others, equally as practical in their ideas, believe the matter will adjust itself after having run its course as a nine-days wonder. As was stated Saturday morning, the majority of both races see no vital principle involved and have no inclination to give the conductors the trouble of calling their attention to infractions of the law. Being spirits easily entreated, they will obey the ordinance, while others whose wont it is to be refractory will sooner or later come to kick against the yoke, especially after they shall have been repeatedly fined. There is but little trouble apprehended from Virginians of either race. The most contentious will doubtless be people from other cities, as has been the case during the past few days.

THE CONDITION OF Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, is said to be more encouraging. It is hoped the symptoms will not prove misleading and that the young queen's convalescence may be rapid. Though at the portals of womanhood, she has vexed one to contend with in conjunction with her recent physical sufferings. Trouble and pain are no respecters of persons. They invade the castle and the hut, and in one form or another beset us all. Doubtless the young queen was envied in the past few years by many more humble walks of life who would not exchange places with the sufferer now. There are many ills in life. It must necessarily be so. But, after all, poverty may be among the least; yet the great majority are compelled to battle with it, and in doing so they often imagine in silliness that their lot is the most oppressive and lose sight of the fact that those in palaces who are not beset by chill penury have burdens equally as heavy to bear.

ARCHBISHOP CORRIGAN, for whose recovery many sincere prayers had ascended, has paid the debt of nature at a time when his well-wishers supposed he was in a state of convalescence. The deceased was justly esteemed by millions, among whom were many not of his ecclesiastical persuasion, but who admired him as a ripe scholar, a profound thinker and the possessor of rare mental powers he industriously began his culture early in life, and by burning midnight oil and using the facilities placed in him by the Creator rose above his fellows and became the great prelate he was. Had he lived sooner or later he would have been a cardinal, as his worth had long been appreciated in Rome. Kind and mild in his deportment, he was nevertheless inflexible when occasion required it, and his experience with the late Father McGlynn proved him to have been the right man in the right place in such an emergency.

THE ACTION OF Governor Montague in refusing to consider any proposition toward ordering a special election to fill the vacancy in Congress caused by the death of Representative Otay until after the funeral of the deceased, is heartily approved by all enemies of the indecent haste often displayed in attempts on the part of some to jump into the shoes of dead men. Already half a dozen pretenses and able Virginians have been suggested as candidates for Mr. Otay's seat. There is plenty of time in that to weigh each and select a man who is most capable of taking the place of the deceased. There is no reason why the lodge of sorrow now bewailing the loss of a noble Virginian should be disturbed by an unseemly haste to appropriate his mantle.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.

Washington, D. C., May 6.

When Arthur Donner, treasurer of the sugar trust, was on the stand last Friday before the Senate committee on Cuban relations during the investigation into the ownership of Cuban sugars and land Mr. Teller asked him a series of questions as to his knowledge of a pamphlet entitled "Facts about Sugar," with which was handed to him for identification. Mr. Donner declared that he had never seen the document before, either the manuscript or print. He denied specifically that he had procured the printing of the pamphlet, and also told Mr. Teller that he did not know John Oberier, a printer of New York, by whom the paper was printed. Today Mr. Teller caused a subpoena to be issued for the appearance of Oberier to-morrow. Chairman Platt announced that he had written to Sir Wm. Van Horne, President of the Van Horne Syndicate, which had recently built a railroad in Cuba, tapping practically the whole of the sugar producing area of the island, and which also owns a large amount of sugar land there. Mr. Platt wants him to come before the committee if possible. Other officers of the syndicate will probably also be called. Henry C. Mott, the raw sugar buyer for the sugar trust, was the witness before the Senate committee this morning. It is reported here that there will be a general scramble in the Sixth Virginia district for the late Maj. Otay's seat in the House of Representatives. Had the congressional reapportionment bill not been vetoed by Gov. Montague, Rappahannock county would have been in the Sixth district and then it is thought Mr. St. George Tucker would have been a formidable candidate, but as it is he is in the Tenth and to come to Congress from that district he will have to oppose Mr. Flood with the odds against him. The Cabinet again discussed today the details of the change of government in Cuba. There were also discussed the modifications suggested by the Secretary of the Treasury of the regulations affecting personal baggage.

The President today sent to the Senate the nomination of Alex. O. Brodie, to be Governor of Arizona. It is authoritatively denied that the White House today that President Roosevelt has refused permission to the French government to bestow the cross of the Legion of Honor upon Admiral Dewey and Lieut. Gen. Miles on the occasion of the unveiling of the Rochambeau statue May 24. The President, it is stated, has no prerogatives in such matters, the authority for officers to receive decorations from foreign governments resting solely with Congress. It is understood that the French government has made such an offer, but the White House denial of the President's opposition sets at rest that feature of the story.

The witness before the Senate committee on the Philippines this morning was ex-Sergeant R. V. Hughes, of Company H, 8th Regt. Infantry. He said that he had witnessed an application of the "water-cure" in the spring of 1901, near Magdalena, Laguna province. He stated that a private named Haler under orders from Lieut. Merchant, of his company, knocked down a native guide two or three times in the attempt to get information from him regarding the whereabouts of an insurgent chief.

The committee appointed yesterday to represent the Senate at the funeral of Hon. Peter J. Otay consisted of Senators Daniel, Martin, Bates, Gay, Gallinger, Clark and Millard. A New York paper today says that Secretary Root will leave the Cabinet and go back to his law practice in New York. Rumor says he has determined to give up his New York house as soon as his present occupant dies, and to build a new one in the city. He is said to be extremely disgusted over the action of the Senate in turning down his army reorganization bill and since he is holding a Cabinet office at a large financial sacrifice he feels impelled to go back to his law practice.

The specific charges made against officers and men of the army in Tagabas province, Philippine Islands, by Maj. Cornelius Gardner, civil governor of that province, were received by cables from Gen. Chaflin yesterday and were submitted to the Senate committee on the Philippines today by Chairman Lodge.

Judge Kimball in the Police Court this morning sustained the right of the prosecuting attorney to file a motion to set aside the verdict of the jury in the case against Senator Money, of Mississippi, accused of assault by street car conductor Shaner, and also the case brought by the Senator in turn against Shaner and Hooper, the fireman who assisted the conductor in ejecting the Senator from the car.

FIFTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS.

Washington, D. C., May 6.

SENATE.

The Senate this morning passed upon a suspension of the rules a House joint resolution appropriating \$10,000 for expenses of the dedication of the statue of Marshal Rochambeau to be unveiled in Washington May 24. The calendar was taken up later and a number of bills passed. The Philippine civil government bill was then taken up at 2 o'clock. Mr. Beveridge secured Mr. Rawlins for what he declared was a curious coincidence of misstatement made by that Senator. It was in reference to the "water-cure" treatment administered to twelve natives whereby there was elicited the facts of the killing of Sergeant O'Hearney by the slowly burning and baking him for four hours. He charged the details of the "water-cure" treatment were not as given by the Senator from Utah, but that they were exactly opposite.

Mr. Hoar wanted to know for his own satisfaction whether or not the "water-cure" torture had been inflicted by American soldiers. "Was there any other testimony showing the manner of O'Hearney's death than these confessions?" asked Mr. Hoar.

"There was not" replied Mr. Beveridge.

HOUSE.

For the first time in its history the House met today with three desks covered with flowers and draped in black, in memory of deceased members. Joshua S. Salmon, democrat, of New Jersey, was announced, died suddenly at his home in Bonton, N. J., this morning. Chaplain Conden made impressive reference in his prayer to the death of the third member within a week.

A message announcing the passage of several bills by the Senate was received at 4 o'clock Mr. Parker, of New Jersey.

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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Admiral Sampson Dying.

Washington, May 6.—Rear Admiral Sampson is dying. Medical Director Dickson has informed his distinguished patient that there is no hope for him. He had a hemorrhage today and his condition is so critical as to foreshadow the inevitable. The Admiral is surrounded by his family.

Foreign News.

Het Loo, Holland, May 6.—Queen Wilhelmina's condition is somewhat improved this morning. The morning bulletin seems to indicate that the crisis in her illness has been successfully passed.

Het Loo, May 6.—There is no change in the condition of the Queen this afternoon. That her Majesty is still in a grave condition is attested to by the fact that neither of the doctors, the prince consort, nor the Queen's mother have left the bedside of the royal patient today. No further bulletin has been issued since this morning. The ministers, it was expected, would reach Het Loo last night but they have not yet arrived.

London, May 6.—The following official dispatch was received at the War Office, from Pretoria, today: "Colonel Cooper has driven the Boers from a strong position at Etshlop. Colonel Bruce Hamilton has captured 87 Boers near Heilbron."

Warsaw, May 6.—Demonstrations in favor of the re-establishment of the Kingdom of Poland occurred here today. The demonstrators became so noisy that they were finally charged and dispersed by a body of Cossacks, who rode over the people, flogging them with knouts. Six persons were killed, and 225 injured. Over 800 of the demonstrators were arrested, including a number of children under ten years of age.

St. Louis, May 6.—Pope Leo learned of the death of Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, with deep regret. In speaking of the dead prelate his Holiness said: "The church has lost its most valiant son and a true friend."

Strike may be Averted.

New York, May 6.—Three of the four anthracite coal magnates in this city, today, take an apparently indifferent view of the present crisis in the threatened miners' strike. These men, with President Baer, of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway, practically control the anthracite mine holdings in Pennsylvania. They asserted that, if a strike of the miners is declared at tomorrow's meeting of the miners' executive board, at Scranton, it could not come at a more opportune time from the operators' standpoint. "We can stand it if they can" was the statement of each of the magnates.

It is considered possible that at tomorrow's meeting in Scranton unless favorable concessions are made, it may be found advisable to postpone the strike until September, which is the busiest mining month in the year.

Philadelphia, May 6.—A man very close to President Baer, of the Reading Railway, said today: There will be no strike in the anthracite regions. Sufficient concessions will be granted the miners to make a strike unnecessary. The convention tomorrow will abide by President Mitchell's decision which will be to accept the terms and stay at work.

Death of Bret Harbo.

London, May 6.—Francis Bret Harbo, the American poet and novelist, died at 1 o'clock yesterday evening at Red House, Camberly. His illness, which was an affection of the throat, was not thought to be necessarily serious. Last night he had a hemorrhage and death soon followed. He was born in Albany, N. Y., August 25, 1839. In 1854 he went to California and while there was successfully miner, school teacher, express messenger, printer, and finally editor of a newspaper. He contributed many poems and sketches to periodicals and in 1868 upon the establishment of the Overland Monthly he became its editor. In 1869 his world famed humorous poem "The Heathen Chinee" appeared and with its publication the obscure editor became a recognized author. He was appointed U. S. consul at Crefeld, in 1878, from which post he was transferred to Glasgow in March 1880. He remained there until 1885, when he took up his residence in London, where he had since lived.

Arrangements for the Funeral.

New York, May 6.—The funeral of the late Archbishop Corrigan, who died last night, will be held next Friday morning, at 10:30 o'clock in St. Patrick's Cathedral. Cardinal Gibbons, assisted by archbishops, bishops, and clergy, will officiate in the solemn mass of requiem. The funeral sermon will probably be given by Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, the most eloquent member of the hierarchy. Archbishop Corrigan's body will be interred in a vault under the main altar of the cathedral. Mass was held and prayers for the dead were offered up this morning between 6 and 7 o'clock in the cathedral. The body was embalmed this morning. No successor to Archbishop Corrigan will be named for at least six months.

Funeral of Congressman Cummings.

New York, May 6.—The last rites over the body of the late Congressman Amos J. Cummings were held this morning in the Merritt chapel at Eighth avenue and 19th street. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dr. W. S. Crowe, of the Church of the Eternal Hope. The services were attended by the Congressional delegations and many committees from societies and bodies of which Congressman Cummings was a member. The interment will be at Clinton cemetery, Irvington, N. J.

Prospects for Peace.

London, May 6.—It is understood in political circles that the prospects for peace in South Africa continue to be bright. This understanding is given strength to a rumor current today to the effect that reassuring news regarding the peace situation has been received at the War Office from Lord Kitchener, and the fact that private letters from high officers in the field express the expectation that they will return home at an early date.

Destructive Fire.

New Milford, Conn., May 6.—The entire business section of this town is in ruins. The fire which started at 8:30 o'clock last night, was put under control at an early hour this morning but is still smoldering. The blaze wiped out two hotels, two banks, the telephone company's exchange, and dozens of business structures with two residences. It is estimated that the loss will reach from \$300,000 to \$400,000.

The Market.

Georgetown, May 6.—Wheat 50a85.

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Electrocuted.

Boston, May 6.—John W. Casella was electrocuted at the Charlestown State Prison at 12:40 o'clock this morning. The crime for which he paid the death penalty was the murder of Miss Mary Lane in Long Meadow, February, 21st, 1901. Casella prayed long in his cell, and when led into the death chamber, fell before the chair and, clasping his hands, poured out his heart there to his Maker. At the conclusion of his prayer, Casella was bound in the chair and the current turned on. He was soon dead.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Jack Balen, a prize fighter from Cincinnati, was seriously stabbed in the back today during an altercation at the Virginia Avenue Hotel, Cumberland, Md. His assailant is not known. Judges Taft and Fisher, sitting jointly in the circuit court at St. Louis this morning rendered their decision in the case of the national league club against ball players, Harper, Heldrick, and Wallace. The injunction sought by the plaintiff is denied.

An awful accident occurred at the Pennsylvania Steel Works at Steelton last night. As a result five Austrian laborers were literally burned to a crisp. A ladie of hot slag boiled over engulfing eight men in an awful torrent. The remaining three men are in a critical condition.

Common Pleas Court No. 5, in Philadelphia today entered decrees refusing to allow the appeals taken to the Supreme Court by Lejole, Bernhard and Fraser, the three enjoined American League baseball players to act as supersedeases and ordering each of the defendants to enter \$500 security.

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Reports from Topeka, Kansas, county, Oklahoma, regarding the water spot and torrade, which virtually wiped the place out of existence yesterday are meagre owing to prostration of wires. Reports from Gary are that the death list will reach twenty. About forty houses were demolished. The Okla. tracks are wiped out and the Washita river overflowed. Farmers fled leaving their stock.

The real fight against the beef trust will open in earnest at Jefferson City, Mo., tomorrow when the first official inquiry into the methods of the alleged trust will begin before Chief Justice Burton, of the State Supreme Court. It is hinted that some startling revelations will be made.

Trouble is anticipated at Hackensack, N. J., this afternoon between the striking dairy helpers and the deputy sheriffs who have been sworn in to keep order.

The cadets of the Military Institute, located at Culver, Indianapolis, have cancelled a date for a game of baseball because the catcher of the High School is colored.

Congressman Joshua S. Salmon, of the Fourth New Jersey District, died suddenly at Bonton this morning.

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